Income Tax.—Relief for Friendly and Co-operative Societies.—Abolition of the Great Enquest.
abolished, and their powers are transferred to bodies of Commissioners.

The Vicar-General: They are equally prejudiced bodies.

Deemster Callow: You can apply to the next parish.

The Vicar-General: I remember a case where the Great Enquest was called together to establish a right of way. They declared a right of way. To my certain knowledge there was no such thing. There were fences and baulks of timber put up by the owner of the land. There we were confronted with the fact that, by reason of the Great Enquest being prejudiced, a right of way was created and established. There it remains to this day as a roadway, against all experience and all propriety and justice. But I do not think you have a better atmosphere by transferring to a body of this sort.

The Receiver-General: I hardly think we shall carry the other Branch with us in doing away with it altogether.

The Governor: It is proposed that we should think it over, and take the clauses another day.

Deemster Callow: There will be a great number of appointments to provide for.

The Archdeacon: There is the appointment of pinner.

The further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

MARRIAGE REGISTERS.

A Bill to amend the Civil Registration (Marriages) Act, 1910, was read a first time.

In view of the absence of the Bishop, it was decided to postpone the second reading.

ADULT SUFFRAGE.

The House of Keys Election Amendment Act was read a first time.

The Governor: That is a Bill I should have liked to take, but the Council is very short of its members to-day, and we are rather a small body to deal with such an important Bill as this.

The Receiver-General: Do you not think this is a question which chiefly affects the other Branch, which has passed it? My own feeling is that when they have seen fit to pass a Bill which affects them principally— as I think solely—we should pass it as a matter of course.

The Vicar-General: It affects the people of the Island. Have we no concern in that?

The Receiver-General: I think the police must be looking into the air. Every day I see boys under 16 smoking cigarettes.

The further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

DESTRUCTIVE INSECTS, &c.—Marriage Registers.—Adult Suffrage.—Tynwald Court Adjournment.